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SUBJECT: BOSNIA: RENEWING THE SUDAN SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR
MANDATE AT THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

REF: SECSTATE 55852

¶1. (SBU) Post delivered points per reftel to Sanja Kenig-Corovic, the Bosnian MFA's Head of Department for the UN and Other International Organizations. Kenig-Corovic advised that representatives from the European Commission, Sweden, and the Czech Republic (representing current and future EU Presidencies) had also recently demarched the Bosnian MFA, similarly lobbying for support for extension of the mandate for the Special Rapporteur for Sudan.

¶2. (SBU) Kenig-Corovic advised that, as FM Alkalaj and Deputy FM Trisic-Babic were out of country until the end of the week, the Bosnian MFA would be unable to provide a substantive reply prior to June 5, but that the matter was being considered and would be decided upon with consideration for the EU and U.S. position of support for extension of the mandate. Kenig-Corovic had no further substantive reply to other points in reftel.

¶3. (SBU) Post will provide further Bosnian MFA response via front-channel cable as it becomes available.

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